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ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
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MONDAY, APRIL 16TH, 1956, AT 5:00 P.M.
BUDGE HALL, Y.M.C.A., 1441 DRUMMOND STREET

CHAIRMAN - F.B. WALLS,
PRESIDENT,
Y.M.C.A. OF MONTREAL

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Assistant Metropolitan
Program Secretary and
Director of Kamp Kanawana.

2. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL MEETING:

MOVED BY:
SECONDED BY:

4. REPORT OF THE HONORARY TREASURER ..... T. DENTON LEWIS

5. REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY ..... FRED G. HUBBARD

6. MOTION TO ADOPT THE REPORTS:

MOVED BY:
SECONDED BY:

7. REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE AND
ELECTION OF DIRECTORS:

MOVED BY:
SECONDED BY:

8. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS:

MOVED BY:
SECONDED BY:

9. SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE MEETING

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OF THE
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF MONTREAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1955

I. INTRODUCTION

Your Board of Directors do herewith submit the Annual Report of the Young Men's Christian Association of Montreal for the year ending December 31st, 1955, in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution.

This report covers matters of general interest affecting the Montreal Association as a whole. Detailed reports of all Branches have already been submitted and approved at individual branch meetings, and are included in their records.

The building expansion program, made possible by the Capital Funds Campaign in 1952, neared completion, with the opening of the new Sir George Williams College Building anticipated early in 1956. In an official ceremony, last June, Mr. F.B. Walls, President of the Y.M.C.A. of Montreal, laid the cornerstone of the new building.

Considerable progress was made towards the goal of program modernization in the Association during 1955.

Three hundred and thirty Canadian delegates, including many from Montreal, attended the Paris Centennial Conference of the World's Alliance of YMCAs. In the city where the first meeting of the World's Alliance was held 100 years ago, they met with delegates from all parts of the world to take part together in conferences, worship, assemblies and sports competitions.

In 1955, men and nations sought to draw closer to each other and achieve a more stable world. The Y.M.C.A. of Montreal acted in this spirit at home and in World Service.

II. OUR METROPOLITAN ORGANIZATION

The Montreal Young Men's Christian Association operates in Greater Montreal in nine self-governing branches, the Sir George Williams College and Schools, three summer camps and a ski lodge.

Five branches are located in buildings equipped with gymnasia and swimming pools and owned by the Y.M.C.A. These are Central Branch, 1441 Drummond Street; Notre Dame de Grace Branch, 4335 Hampton Avenue; International Branch, 5550 Park Avenue; Southwestern Branch, 1000 Gordon Avenue, Verdun; and Westmount Branch, 4585 Sherbrooke Street West, Westmount.

Northmount Branch is located in a community-type building (administration, office, lounge, club and all-purpose rooms) and is situated at 1455 Rochon Street, Ville St. Laurent. Lachine Branch, 3955 Provost Street, Lachine, is located in a similar building.

Branches which make use of rented quarters and facilities in the communities they serve are Northeastern Branch, formerly Rosemount Branch, in Nesbitt School, 3001 Rosemount Boulevard; and Montreal East Branch in Montreal East School, St. Cyr Street, Montreal East.

In addition to the locations where branch headquarters are found, the following communities are being served:

Central Branch - Pointe Claire, St. Lambert and Valois
International Branch - Park Extension
Lachine Branch - Central Park and Dorval
Montreal East Branch - Champlain Village and Tetreaultville
Northeastern Branch - Montreal North, Montrose and Ville St. Michel
Northmount Branch - Cartierville and Town of Mount Royal
Southwestern Branch - Cote St. Paul, Crawford Park and Ville La Salle

II. OUR METROPOLITAN ORGANIZATION (cont'd)

Sir George Williams College and Schools, which serve the entire Metropolitan area, will be consolidated in the new College Building, 1435 Drummond Street, and the Central Branch Building early in 1956.

Camp Otoreke, a summer vacation camp for young adults, is situated sixty-five miles north of Montreal at Lake St. Joseph, near Ste. Agathe des Monts. The island property is owned by the Y.M.C.A. of Montreal and was the site of the first Y.M.C.A. camp established in 1892.

Kamp Kanawana, a summer vacation camp for boys eight to sixteen years of age, covers sixty acres of woodland and lakes on property owned by the Association near St. Sauveur, about fifty miles north of the City.

Camp Perrot, a summer holiday camp for boys and girls between the ages of ten and sixteen years, is located on forty-five acres of Y.M.C.A.-owned land on Ile Perrot, twenty-five miles west of Montreal.

The Christieville Ski Lodge, at Christieville, Quebec, is a winter camp for young adults located approximately fifty miles north of Montreal. Its two lodges are also the property of the Y.M.C.A. of Montreal.

The management of the Association is vested in the Metropolitan Board of Directors. This body of elected members has supervision and control of the work and policy of the Association. Standing committees of the Board include Executive, Finance and Property, World Service, Program, Public Relations, Branch Chairmen's and Memorials.

The management of each branch is vested in a Board of Management. This body represents the membership in formulating and establishing policy and plans in keeping with general YMCA purpose and overall policy of the Metropolitan Board of Directors, and in order to meet the needs of youth served by the Branch. Appropriate committees within each branch are appointed by and responsible to the Board of Management.

The affairs of the College are managed by the Board of Governors of Sir George Williams College and Schools.

III. PROGRAM

Program Modernization Project:

In recent years building improvements, new buildings and expansion have modernized the facilities of the Montreal Y.M.C.A. As this was achieved, it seemed reasonable to ask, "What would happen if in the next few years we devoted as much time and energy to modernizing our program?"

Realizing the constantly changing setting of the Montreal Association in its many branches and outreaches, in January 1955, the Metropolitan Board authorized, on the recommendation of the Metropolitan Program Committee, that a Program Retooling Project to re-examine the purpose of our program and modernize its methods be undertaken.

Seven essential steps were visualized in this undertaking:

1. To redefine objectives in program.
2. To accumulate program materials consistent with the objectives.
3. To train staff and leaders in the use of these materials.
4. To apply them in specific situations.
5. To evaluate the results obtained.
6. To revise the materials and methods to more adequately achieve the objectives.
7. To embody the results of the previous steps into the permanent administration and program of the Association.

Step One - Last April, 50 members of the College administrative staff and city-wide staff met for a Conference at Christieville. Their purpose was to examine the "Why?" rather than the "What?" or "How?" of the program of the Montreal Y.M.C.A. They sought to define in specific terms what the Association is endeavouring to achieve in the lives of members and participants. As a result of this Conference, some basic propositions were developed with regard to program. It was felt that, "The purpose of the program is to provide an opportunity for individuals to grow to maturity and to enrich their lives in the following respects:

1. Physical Health
2. Intellectual Competence and Integrity
3. Emotional Stability
4. Sociability
5. Moral Responsibility
6. Spiritual Vitality

III. PROGRAM (cont'd)

The meaning in specific terms of these objectives is being examined and expanded in detail so that a clear understanding of what constitutes good program consistent with these aims is being developed.

The Program Modernization Project is the most fundamental, vital self-examination ever undertaken by the Montreal Y.M.C.A. It's task will be on-going, as long as the contemporary world of man presents challenges to individual lives. As the seven steps of the plan are carried out, the impact of their influences on the Association program will depend upon the degree to which Branch Boards, Staff and Leaders and Members become familiar with the purposes and methods of the undertaking, and take steps to embody them in the policies and programs of the Association.

In conjunction with the Project, Staff Development received a new importance during 1955.

Staff Development Series:

The Staff Development Committee arranged regular City-Wide Staff Meetings during the year, for lectures, skill sessions, and discussions. The aims and processes of the Program Project were shared so that staff members might consider their specific programs in the light of these aims. An Executive Workshop was held for members of College and Branch Administrative Staff where plans were made to develop administrative changes that would help achieve specific program aims in the Branch setting.

Clubs and Groups:

Small Fellowship Groups continued as a vital medium for individual growth and cooperation during 1955. In many instances, these were the basis for beginning program in a new area neighbouring to the YMCA building. All of the Purpose Clubs contributed to the life of their communities through valuable service projects in 1955.

III. PROGRAM (cont'd)

Twenty-six Senior Hi-Y Clubs for boys and girls 15 - 18 were active in the Protestant High Schools of Montreal. Three new clubs were formed during the year.

The number of Junior Hi-Y Clubs, for the 14 - 15 age groups increased from 16 in 1954 to 29 in 1955.

Gra-Y Clubs, for elementary school children 10 - 14, numbered 54, in contrast to 40 the previous year.

Three Phiat and Phalanx Clubs, for young women and young men 18 - 24, were again active.

During 1955, the Southwestern Branch Y's Men's Club was chartered by Westmount Branch Y's Men's Club.

The Montreal Foremen's Club, composed of 525 supervisors in industry, is the largest of its type in Canada.

Neighbourhood Y Clubs, for boys and girls 10 - 14 were active.

These clubs enjoy program suggestions and manuals supplied by National Council, but adapted for the individual group.

The total number of clubs and interest groups was 1,011, an increase of 98 over 1954. The enrolment was 25,041 and the attendance 273,706.

Informal Education:

1,986 people enrolled for informal education activities and the total attendance was 43,630. This includes an attendance of 11,064 at lecture-forums and study groups. Educational outings and trips were enjoyed by 7,291 people.

So-Ed Clubs, with outstanding lectures, craft opportunities and recreation for adults, were held in 3 of the Branches.

The libraries operated by Central, International, Southwestern and Westmount Branches, circulated 16,066 volumes. The circulation of Sir George Williams College library totalled 76,056 books.

III. PROGRAM (cont'd)

Branch Formal Education:

English and French classes for New Canadians enrolled 1,452 students during 1955 for 1766 sessions, and an attendance of 29,983. Language classes were also conducted at Northmount Branch.

Health and Physical Fitness:

Organized gymnasium classes attracted an enrollment of 2,189 members, with a total attendance of 20,690. Additional participation in athletic activities by 56,787 was recorded. Various league tournaments involved 47,482 people and many inter-branch meets were held.

The Central YMCA Water Polo Team won the Junior Provincial Championship in 1954-55.

The Estonian Girls Sports Club, which meets at International YMCA, won the Dominion Volleyball Championship.

Learn to Swim Classes were very popular and through them 10,822 persons were given formal instruction in this important skill. An additional 2,915 members passed more advanced swimming and lifesaving tests.

Sir George Williams College and Schools:

Operating under the direction of 5 major student committees, the extra-curricular program encompassed 19 different interest clubs. The average club membership was 25. Eight clubs were under the joint sponsorship of the Day and Evening Division.

The student program provides individuals with a rare opportunity for self-expression and leadership development. Highlights of the year were the American Student Exchange, Freshman Week Activities, Winter Carnival and the Annual World Service Campaign.

Twenty-seven teams participated in 17 different sports at all levels of competition. The College Athletic Evenings attracted over 1000 students.

III. PROGRAM (cont'd)

Summer Program:

An over-all increase in attendance was marked at Camp Otoreke, Camp Perrot and Kamp Kanawana. The number of campers was 2,199, compared to 1,891 in 1954, and 1,949 in 1953. There were 108 camp leaders.

Kamp Kanawana - Kamp Kanawana seeks to provide for boys 8 to 16 years of age a natural setting in which rich, meaningful spiritual experience becomes an integral aspect of the day-to-day program.

Last season 473 campers attended, for an average stay of 3.5 weeks. Attendance in 1954 numbered 446.

Canoe trips, overland hikes and crafts continued as popular features of the program. The boys learned to cooperate with others and develop independence as each tent group of 7 campers planned their own program together. Competition with self, rather than comparison with others, was the key note in all activities.

Seventy-two boys learned to swim; 323 passed Intermediate Swimming tests; 182 boating, canoeing and sailing awards were earned and 22 campers passed YMCA Life Saving Tests and Master Swimming Awards.

Camp Perrot - The season opened with a six weeks' session for boys, which attracted 177 boys to the campsite on Ile Perrot. It was followed by a two weeks' Camp for 87 girls. The average camper stayed just under 3 weeks.

Boy campers enjoyed a full program, including council fires, Olympic games, crafts, canoe-tripping, skits and movies. Hot weather and good leadership greatly stimulated the swimming program. After two weeks, 25 out of 30 non-swimmers had passed their tests.

The girls camp turned rainy days into a wonderful opportunity for creative indoor activities. On hike day, a visit was made to the Historical Museum of Ile Perrot. The girls planted a maple tree on visitors' day hoping to establish a yearly tradition.

The new wash house built and donated by the Verdun Y's Men's Club was greeted as the greatest single improvement to the campsite for many years.

III. PROGRAM (cont'd)

Camp Otoreke - The YMCA summer camp for young men, young women and married couples, had a record attendance of 117 for the 24th of May weekend, preceeding the regular camp opening on June 3rd. A total of 1,211 men and women spent their vacation period or weekends at the camp. In 1954, 1077 attended.

The weekly program, of which canoeing continues to be a favorite, includes a regular outdoor church service and is planned and run by a Campers' Committee, with the assistance of Camp Staff.

Christieville Ski Lodge - A season of downhill skiing, cross-country trips, ski instruction, indoor tournaments, and Saturday night socials was again enjoyed at Christieville. The Otoreke Ski Club had the highest number of members in its 11 year history - 150.

Christieville has become a home to those who visit it regularly. Some guests are from the States, and some are newcomers from Europe, as well as many local Montrealers. Thirty persons joined in a gathering and turkey dinner on Christmas Day.

Summer City Day Camps:

Through City Day Camps, local branches of the YMCA provided 1,703 youngsters with a camping experience right in the city. The July and August program, including industrial trips, picnics, crafts, outdoor games, swimming and family events was attended by 28,561 boys and girls.

IV. BRANCH CHAIRMEN'S COMMITTEE

This Standing Committee which was established three years ago, met three times during the year. The President was host at a meeting in the early Fall of the year at which Mr. John B. Frosst reported on the Centennial Meeting of the World's Alliance held in Paris in August. Other meetings were held in the Lachine and Westmount Branches. This committee provides an opportunity for Chairmen to exchange information and experiences and to see at first hand the facilities of the Branch visited. Its function is purely advisory.

V. SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS COLLEGE AND SCHOOLS

The year 1955 marks the end of an era in the life of the College and Schools. During the year classes have been held in no fewer than ten separate buildings in this area. We now look forward to consolidation of all classes in the new building and in the space which we shall continue to occupy in the Central Branch building.

The year has been a most active one. Total registration, budget and a number of degrees and other diplomas granted, all offer statistical evidence that the year has witnessed the greatest volume of work in the history of the College and Schools.

Four units held formal graduation ceremonies, the largest of which was the College's convocation which took place at St. James United Church on June 3rd with Dr. H.L. Keenleyside, head of the United Nations Technical Assistance Administration, as speaker. A total of 335 bachelor's degrees were granted at this convocation.

Evening classes continue to be the main emphasis in the College's program although the registration in the Day Division represents a good sized collegiate institution. In fact it would stand alone as larger than about half of the universities in Canada.

The staff has remained relatively stable although several changes have taken place as usual, particularly in the part-time members of the faculty. Mr. D.W. Cole left us to go to Macdonald College. The whole College was shocked by the tragic illness of Assoc. Prof. Neil Compton who was stricken with polio in the summer. However, all who know him have been greatly encouraged by the courageous attitude which he has displayed and the apparently successful struggle against this disease.

The extra-curricular program continues with great variety particularly in the College where two students' societies, day and evening, direct extra-curricular activities. In this connection it is pleasing to note that the "Georgian", the student newspaper, under the editorship of John Yorston, was awarded the Jacques Bureau Trophy as the best College weekly in Canada. The annual world service campaign of the Y.M.C.A. was again successful and provided a project in which many leading students participated under the chairmanship of Jim Manolakos. Our students have been particularly active in the affairs of the National Federation of Canadian University Students.

V. SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS COLLEGE AND SCHOOLS (cont'd)

It is believed that community and wider relationships of the College continue to be satisfactory. We again cooperated with the National Council of YMCAs of Canada in the summer school at Geneva Park, Ontario, for junior secretaries. The College is a member of the National Conference of Canadian Universities, of the Association of Universities of the British Commonwealth and of the Association of University Evening Colleges (of North America).

Some idea of the extent of the curricular program may be gathered from the following list of degrees and diplomas granted in 1955:

Diplomas in Association Science (YMCA Secretarial Course)	1
Bachelors' Degrees - Arts, Science & Commerce	335
Associate Diplomas - Arts, Science & Commerce	27
High School Graduation Diplomas	158
Elementary School Graduation Diplomas	50
Business School Graduation Diplomas (Day)	63
Business School Certificates (Evening)	80
School of Retailing Diplomas	18

The details of registration for the year are as follows:

A. Winter Term 1954-55

	Day	Evening	Total
1. College (Faculties of Arts, Science & Commerce)	740	3106	3846
2. High School	-	1466	1466
3. Elementary School	-	119	119
4. Business School	240	782	1022
5. Art School	53	154	207
6. Retail School	18	-	18
Total (Winter)	1051	5627	6678

B. Summer Term 1955

1. College (Faculties of Arts, Science & Commerce)	-	1321	1321
2. High School	-	508	508
3. Business School	66	287	353
Total (Summer)	66	2186	2182
Total (Winter)	1051	5627	6678
GRAND TOTAL	1117	7813	8860

VI. PERSONAL SERVICES

Residence accommodation is provided for young men by Central, International and Westmount Branches. There were 601 beds available in these branches, slightly fewer than in the last two years because certain rooms in Central Branch were affected by construction of the College Building and were taken out of service. A total of 198,378 bed nights were recorded or an average of 92% of the available beds. Both bed nights and average occupancy have decreased slightly, indicating a trend comparable to that experienced in other Associations in Canada and the U.S.A.

Transient demand is greatest at Central Branch where many immigrants, upon arrival in Montreal, make the YMCA their headquarters. American tourists and other YMCA touring groups also make use of the residences.

Resident members are encouraged to take advantage of the program offered by the branches. Weekly bulletins telling them of major events and a friendly welcome point out to them that YMCA Residences are meant to be "Homes Away From Home."

At Central Branch, a varied program has been developed during the past year, exclusively for residents. It includes showing of films and informal discussion groups in the late evening on a wide variety of topics.

Interviews and Employment - Personal counselling continues to be sought after. Young people come to seek guidance on a wide range of problems, such as personal adjustment, educational needs, religious perplexity, home difficulties and frequently just a desire to talk to an understanding person. 53,982 interviews were recorded in 1955. This is slightly lower than in 1954. In addition to these voluntary interviews, during the Fall all permanent residents in the Central Residence were interviewed. The purpose of these interviews was to acquaint the men with the services available to them through the Program Department, to bring records up to date on each individual and to render any particular service which seemed to be needed at the time.

While the YMCA does not consider itself primarily an employment agency, nevertheless, as situations arise, our secretaries have, through contacts with various firms, found it possible to refer young people for employment interviews. 719 young people were placed in employment this year, or 37% more than in 1954.

VII. OUR CHRISTIAN EMPHASIS

During this year, made memorable by the Paris Centennial Conference of the World's Alliance of YMCAs and the beginning of a re-thinking of program objectives at the Christieville conference, the members of the YMCA staff have set about their on-going task of intergrating Christianity with all of life with a renewed sense of dedication and spiritual insight.

In reporting the Christian emphasis in the Y.M.C.A. of Montreal during 1955, the words of Saint Paul are recalled: "We look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen." (II Cor. 4). It is difficult to describe and account for the intangibles, the things of the spirit. Any review of the "seen" things, the many basketball games, fellowship meetings, craft groups, swimming classes and service projects, to be complete should include a search for the number of meaningful experiences in the lives of boys, girls, men and women --- experiences which mark the beginning or development of their lives along a path of Christian living and dedication. The "unseen" things are illusive, yet nontheless present and real.

A vast number of people first come into contact with the YMCA through mass activities, such as residences and restaurants, or through becoming casual members of a popular group. The influence of a personal example, expressed in a word of counsel, in welcoming a newcomer, in meeting a person in need on his own terms, can be like a fine, gold thread weaving throughout our program and drawing more and more people into the fellowship of a Christian society. The personal relationships established in small purpose groups and face-to-face counselling continued to be the most effective media in which Christian emphasis readily developed. The Branch of the Montreal YMCA sought to maintain an atmosphere of friendliness, kindness and understanding in their buildings and in their program.

At the summer camps in 1955, the staff and counsellors sought to set an example of conduct, mutual respect and Christian attitude that would pervade the entire atmosphere of the camp family, and to emphasize the attainment of essential characteristics of Christian living, rather than mere acquisition of skills, in their dealings with the campers.

VII. OUR CHRISTIAN EMPHASIS (cont'd)

In the YMCA, a very important part of the program consists of formal worship services and formal religious education. The total number of members who participated in these events and in World Service work was 6,119. A city-wide staff seminar was held in January on the topic "What it means to be a Protestant." Club induction services, regular services at the camps and ski lodge, daily worship in the Captain's Chapel of Central Branch, special worship services for the city-wide staff and Fellowship Secretaries' Society and the World Week of Prayer in November were again important events in this phase of our program.

Few organizations have so inclusive a constituency as the YMCA. By raising no barriers of race, colour or religious denomination a great opportunity is presented to help people forget their prejudices, eliminate misunderstandings and to treat our fellowmen as brothers and God's creatures. Active World Service programs in all the local Branches during 1955 reflected the world outlook and missionary aspect of the Y.M.C.A.

VIII. MEMORIALS COMMITTEE

This committee, chaired by Mr. George Hodge, was appointed in 1953 to consider and develop suitable memorials to the early Association leaders. At a later date, the committee was also asked to accept responsibility for recommending a suitable design and location of a memorial to members who gave their lives in the two World Wars, and also to arrange for suitable recognition of several memorial and other special gifts to the Sir George Williams College Building. It has been decided to erect bronze war memorial tablets in the foyer of the Central Branch. Arrangements have been made for this work to be carried out following the renovation of this part of the Drummond Street Building. Brass plates are being erected to designate certain sections of the College Building which have been made possible by virtue of special and memorial gifts.

IX. MEMBERSHIP

As of December 31, 1955, our membership rolls showed a total of 16,658 fully registered members. In addition, over 1777 registered non-members participated in various activities in the course of the year. Campers at Kanawana, Perrot, Otoreke and the Christieville Ski Lodge numbered 2199. Different members enrolled during the year reached a total of 28,253; by far the largest number of those enrolled (76.9%) were in the under 30 age category. The figures given below do not include camp enrollment or registered non-member figures.

A. Membership by Branches:	Different Members During the Year	Total at Dec. 31/55
Central	6,399	3,147
Sir George Williams College	8,941	6,720
Southwestern	2,470	1,080
Notre Dame de Grace	2,351	1,132
International	2,969	1,351
Westmount	1,005	520
Lachine	1,244	856
Montreal East	741	373
Northeastern	411	411
Northmount	1,722	1,068
TOTAL	28,253	16,658

B. By Sex:	%
Male	70.
Female	30.

C. By Age:	%	By Age:	%
Under 12	12.	25 - 29	14.
12 - 14	5.9	30 - 34	7.6
15 - 17	12.	35 and up	10.
18 - 24	33.	Unknown	3.3

In all, 32,427 different boys, girls, men and women were active in the program during the year.

X. CITY-WIDE COOPERATION

YMCA facilities were used by 1,207 outside organizations and groups a total of 2,726 times in the course of the past year.

Outside groups related to the YMCA in this way included boys from the MacKay Institute and the School for the Blind, who are provided with a special program at Westmount Branch, and members of the Dutch Reformed Church, who meet twice each Sunday for worship in International Branch. Lutheran Church services were conducted by a group in Lachine YMCA, and neighbourhood nursery schools used the YMCA premises in a number of communities. Some of the Branches helped new organizations and groups to become established, offering them the use of rooms, equipment and the benefit of leadership experience, given in an advisory capacity during the formative stages.

Because of its Christian objectives, the YMCA has always maintained a close, cooperative relationship with the churches of the city. Church groups of many denominations made wide use of the YMCA facilities. This fundamental cooperation was also expressed during 1955 by the Association's active participation on the Montreal Council of Churches and the attendance of members of the Clergy at meetings and special functions of the YMCA.

Affiliation with the Council of Christian Education for the Province of Quebec and participation on the Montreal Council of Social Agencies continued during the past year.

Through the courtesy of the Montreal Protestant School Board, the facilities of the schools have continued to supplement the building resources of the YMCA. The Hi-Y, Gra-Y and many other groups are school-centred. Cooperation from the schools helped make the YMCA "Learn-to-Swim" campaigns successful.

Program which involved parents in the activities of the "Y" during the year, such as Parent Nights, Family Swims, Father-Son and Mother-Daughter events, Parent-Youth Panel Discussions, etc., promoted an understanding of the YMCA's function in many homes. The regular meetings of a great number of groups and clubs in homes further encouraged the integration of the YMCA into the lives of families in the local communities.

XI. FINANCE AND PROPERTY

For the first time since 1952, the official dates for the Annual Financial Campaign (November 14-28) did not conflict with a Capital Fund Appeal of a hospital and the Association was therefore allowed complete freedom in its publicity program. The effect on the conduct of the Campaign found expression in a more effective organization and better morale. The objective was $210,000,a sum slightly greater than the final returns for 1954. At the final report meeting, the objective was reported in sight with the complete returns later showing $210,200 from 10,531 contributors. Mr. T. Denton Lewis for the second year gave superlative leadership as General Chairman, a performance matched by Mr. C.B. Neapole as Chairman of Special Names.

12 new names were added to the list of sponsors bringing the total up to 222. In addition, 15 laymen rendered excellent service as Chairmen of Divisions. The total working force of over 1710 persons was well supported by a publicity program under the direction of Mr. H.T. Coleman. Dr. A.W. Trueman, Chairman of the National Film Board, addressed the opening meeting and in an inspiring message, focussed attention on the role of the voluntary organization in contemporary life and the challenge which this relationship presents to thoughtful responsible citizens. The attendance at the report meetings was particularly good with morale and enthusiasm being maintained at a high level.

Capital Funds - A further amount of approximately $43,3[illegible] was received toward the Sir George Williams College Building Fund from a special canvass amongst Jewish friends by a committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Melvin Chorney. Normally, the addition of this sum to the Capital Funds would have left a financing problem of approximately $400,000 which was anticipated in earlier plans. The action of the City administration, however, in cancelling commitments to charitable projects has increased the financing problem by $300,000. This matter is currently before the officers of the Association and arrangements have been made for temporary financing. Fortunately it has been possible to meet all contract payments to date without resort to borrowing and in addition all temporary surplus cash has been employed in suitable investments.

XI. FINANCE AND PROPERTY (cont'd)

Major repairs and replacements were carried out as indicated below.

International Branch - complete renovation of locker rooms and installation of an accoustical ceiling in the swimming pool.

Westmount Branch - major renovations of lobby, Boys' Division, Social Rooms and related furnishings, and renovations of residence furnishings. A special craft room was established and equipped.

Kamp Kanawana - replacement of camp truck with a beach wagon and erection of a food storage room adjacent to the administration buildings. Lodge underpinning renewed.

Camp Otoreke - two new washrooms erected and new games room completed. Wharf rebuilt.

Camp Perrot - erection of wash house by Verdun Y's Men's Club.

Building Projects - Under the chairmanship of Mr. I.R. Tait, the Metropolitan Building Committee continued to give detailed supervision to building projects evolving from the Capital Funds Campaign of 1952.

Lachine Branch - the building was completed and occupied in March at a total cost including furnishings of $145,000.

Notre Dame de Grace Extension - this building was completed and occupied in September at a total cost including furnishings to date of $145,000. Some additions to the furnishings have yet to be secured and final settlement with the contractor is pending.

Central Branch Building Alterations - the renovations in the Central Branch had to be planned in three phases in order to operate the building with a minimum of interference in the regular program. Phase I involving the Boys' and Girls' Locker Room, the Wrestling and Judo Room and the Weight Lifting Room was completed and occupied in July. Phase II followed immediately and included the Senior Locker and Tote Basket Room, the Business Men's Locker and Tote Basket Room, the Solarium and service area. Work was nearing completion at the year end in readiness for occupation early in the New Year.

Both these projects were much more complicated than new construction because of the unforeseeable problems related to wiring and plumbing in an old building. The first contract was let on tender but the latter, because of its nature was awarded on a cost plus a fixed fee basis. The General Contractor in each case was Messrs. E.G.M.Cape and Company who were able to coordinate the effort with the work on the Sir George Williams College Building.

XI. FINANCE AND PROPERTY (cont'd)

Phase III to include the College area on the third floor, certain changes on the second floor, new handball courts replacing the small gymnasium, and the whole lobby and administrative area will be commenced in early Spring with a target completion date of September next.

Legacies and Bequests - A further sum of $75,000 was received from the Estate of the Late Frank L. Benedict. The final payment will be forthcoming when complete settlement is received from the sale of a large tract of land.

The Association also received from the Royal Trust Company an amount of $6,228.07 representing distribution of the capital of the William Warren Fund. Modest amounts have been received from the earnings of this fund from time to time for ordinary operating purposes.

XII. PERSONNEL

Boards and Committees:

The direction of the affairs of the Association Movement in Montreal is in the hands of the Metropolitan Board of Directors, Branch Boards of Management and departmental and sectional committees. 2343 members of the Association were active during the year on these various bodies. They met regularly to formulate policy and to review progress of the on-going work of the YMCA.

Group and Club Officers:

A major aspect of the program was the many clubs and groups which engaged in a diversified program during the year under review. The responsibility for directing the affairs of these units was carried by 638 members who were elected by their fellows to various offices in these groups.

XII. PERSONNEL (cont'd)

Volunteer Leaders:

Volunteer leaders are an important and vital part of the work of the YMCA. Our program was greatly strengthened by the unselfish service of 1293 men and women who gave freely and willingly of their time and skill acting as advisors, counsellors and leaders of clubs and groups. The members of the Association will ever be grateful for the advice and help and leadership of these friends. It is to be hoped that they too have gained much through participation in our leadership training program and through this voluntary service.

Staff:

To augment the important work of volunteers, the Association requires many employed personnel. To maintain the buildings and equipment, to handle the details in offices, to prepare and serve food, to make beds and run elevators, to teach in the College and Schools, to work with committees and volunteers in the activities program and to administer the affairs of the Association, required the employment of 240 people on a full-time and 525 on a part-time basis. 29 of the latter were Secretaries-in-Training who attended Sir George Williams College while doing field work in one of the branches. The work of these people, many of whom served beyond the strict requirements of their job, is gratefully acknowledged. During the year, the following changes occurred in the employed officers ranks:

Kenneth MacKeracher, Assistant Boys' Work Secretary in Central Branch, accepted a position with the St. Catharines YMCA. He was succeeded by Niles Ring.

Mary Anne Lohnes and Mrs. Barbara Davis, Women & Girls' Work Secretaries at the Southwestern Branch, resigned in the Fall of the year and were succeeded by Misses Verna Harries and Sheila Neill.

Charles A. Keir, Physical Director at Central Branch, resigned to undertake graduate studies and was succeeded by Allan Menzies who occupied the same position in Kitchener-Waterloo YMCA.

Joseph T. Barratt, Central Branch Residence Secretary, accepted the position of Executive Director of the Old Brewery Mission. D.C. MacLeod moved from the Northeastern Branch to succeed Mr. Barratt.

In the Notre Dame de Grace Branch, Ralph Erskine, Physical Director, and William Whitelock, Adult Program Secretary, both resigned. They were succeeded by Fraser Wade who came from the Peterborough Association, and Victor Hryhorchuk of the Ottawa YMCA.

XII. PERSONNEL (cont'd)

John Jackson came from St. Catharines to become Boys' Work Secretary of the International Branch, replacing John Vandenberg who resigned to enter teaching.

Harry Clinch, a former Montreal "Y" Secretary, re-entered the work and accepted the position of Executive Secretary of North-eastern Branch.

Roy D. Locke resigned as Executive Secretary of Westmount Branch in order to enter business. N.A. Millington returned to his former position as Executive Secretary of this Branch after a year as Public Relations Secretary in the Metropolitan Office.

Mrs. Margaret Virany was appointed Publicity Secretary.

XIII. NATIONAL COUNCIL

The National Council of YMCAs with headquarters at 15 Spadina Road, Toronto, continued its helpful relationship to our Association during 1955. Members of their staff, including Mr. H. Arnold Ward, National Council Program Secretary, and Mr. Les Vipond, National Council Personnel Secretary, made unhurried, meaningful visits to our branches. In addition, Mr. Vipond is continually being called upon on occasions when personnel vacancies occur. He is always ready and willing to render any assistance within his power. Mr. J.M. Pritchard of Montreal was the elected president of the Council.

An Executive Workshop conducted by the National Council in Toronto from February 23-25 was attended by 4 senior members of the Montreal staff.

Nineteen members of the Montreal Association, representing almost every branch, participated in the National Council Annual Meeting in Toronto last May.

The bi-annual Canadian YMCA Secretarial Summer School was held at Geneva Park, Lake Couchiching, Ontario, during August. Several members of the Montreal staff were in attendance.

The Montreal Association, as a constituent member of the National Council of YMCAs of Canada, contributed $15,500 in support of the Council's services during the year.

The following members of the Montreal Association are members of the National Council of YMCAs:

J.J.F. Bancroft	T.D.Lewis	G.M.Hobart	W.R.Pritchard
H.C.Beatty	C.A. Smith	George Hodge	D.R.Ross
D.G.Currie	F.V.Stone	F.G.Hubbard	W.G.Scott
H.Edge	Dr.J.S.Thomson	H.J.Humphrey	Dr.C.D.Shortt
J.M.Ferguson	L.W.Townsend	C.M.McCully	T.C.Twyman
C.E.Jenkins	F.Firmin	J.D.McKeown	R.C.Vaughan
R.C.Johnston	J.B.Frosst	R.O.McMurtry	C.W.Webster
H.Keith	H.F.Hall	J.M.Pritchard	F.B.Walls
	Dr.D.J.Wilson	Mrs.F.B.Wilson	

XIV. WORLD SERVICES

World Services is the extension work of the YMCAs of Canada and the United States, which, since 1889 has grown from an experiment with two men, to one of the outstanding international aid programs of the world. Continuously since that time, Canadian and Americans have been sent to help in the formation and the improvement of YMCAs in foreign lands; the record now shows that in 67 years of operation, World Services funds have established national YMCA movements in 38 countries of the 78 countries in which the "Y" may be found. At present, 55 men are serving as Fraternal Secretaries in this work, and the YMCA is recognized as a world fellowship which transcends race, colour, creed, economic and social status.

The success of all overseas expansion work of the YMCA has been directly related to the basic emphasis in developing leaders. Christian leaders of a voluntary Christian movement provide the only means whereby the "Y" can adequately reach the masses who should be taught. World Services funds are used for this purpose and each local Association becomes indigenous, and is encouraged to be self-propagating, self-governing and self-supporting. The fraternal secretaries from North America then are available to assist in other areas.

That the policy works well is unquestionable, and growth is limited only by the available budget. Requests for aid in new areas always form a waiting list. Since the close of the war, new "Y" movements have been started in:

Bolivia	Indonesia	Liberia
Burma	Jordan	Pakistan
Ethiopia	Lebanon	Paraguay
	Venezuela	

During the year, we were privileged to have John H. Dunderdale, Director of the YMCA Training School at Bangalore, India, as a visiting speaker to lead off our campaign for funds. Mr. Dunderdale is a Canadian, who prior to his 20 years in India, was a Boys' Work Secretary in Ontario.

XIV. WORLD SERVICES (cont'd)

Combined North American contributions for World Service in 1955 totalled $1,397,028; the Canadian total was $127,963.00; our local results were as follows:

	1955 Budget	1955 Secured
Metropolitan Board	$16,820.	$16,936.
Central Branch	2,000.	1,718.
Sir George Williams College	1,865.	2,187.
Westmount Branch	1,150.	1,161.
International Branch	1,650.	1,650.
N.D.G. Branch	1,700.	1,617.
Southwestern Branch	750.	757.
Lachine Branch	300.	300.
Montreal East Branch	125.	83.
Northeastern Branch	100.	43.
Northmount Branch	250.	466.
Camp Otoreke	1,000.	1,040.
Kamp Kanawana	165.	165.
Camp Perrot	125.	143.
TOTAL:	$28,000.	$28,266.

XV. THE WORLD'S ALLIANCE

The world-wide YMCA movement is almost a united nations in itself. The central organization known as the World's Alliance of YMCAs seeks to strengthen and coordinate Association work everywhere, and also to speak as the representative body of over four million YMCA members. More than 9000 Associations around the globe have their focus in Geneva, Switzerland, where the headquarters are located. Five per cent of our World Service Fund contributions are devoted to the World's Alliance to support its operations.

XV. THE WORLD'S ALLIANCE (cont'd)

This similarity to the United Nations was heightened in 1955 by the Paris Centennial Conference, held to commemorate the founding of the World's Alliance in August, 1855, when 99 young men from European and North American Associations met in Paris to create and give direction to an international organization of YMCAs. The conference one hundred years later, also in Paris, drew together over 7000 delegates from 74 nations, who demonstrated how well the organization founded by the 99 young men has flourished. In six separate divisions of the Conference, people of varied colours, creeds and nations met to examine present day practices and policies of the YMCA and to determine the direction in which this important international organization should proceed in its second hundred years.

Several important results were apparent within weeks of the meetings. The original "Paris Basis" statement of purposes of the Association from August 1855, was reaffirmed and proclaimed; emphasis was placed upon the need to keep evident the youthful characteristic of its founders in today's boards and committees - followed logically by the election of a youthful President, Charles Sherman, aged 37, accompanied by a youthful slate of officers, to follow in the tradition of the late John R. Mott.

The varied groups of delegates acquired a greater comprehension of the meaning of world brotherhood and of its potential; the thousands of laymen and secretaries returned to their homes around the world with new visions and inspirations whose effects on the Association of the future can only be estimated.

XVI. OBITUARY

We record with sorrow the passing of a number of friends of the Association -

Lt. Col. I.P. Rexford, a member of the Metropolitan Advisory Board.

Dr. E.C. Woodley, Board member for 50 years and former Chairman of the City Hall Avenue Branch. Albert M. Bond, former Chairman of the Montreal East Branch Board of Management. L.R. Newman, member of the Westmount Branch Board of Management. W.R. Stenhouse, member of the Southwestern Branch Board of Management. W.A. Wilson, member of the International Branch Board of Management.

Other friends and supporters: G.M. Bunting, Dr. C.W. Colby, F.H. Hopkins, I.W. Killam, C.C. Lawes, E.A. MacNutt, A.L. Patterson, George Stephen, William Taylor, G.H. Townsend.

James G. Taylor, a member of the house staff for almost thirty years.

W.H. White, a member of the staff of the Y.M.C.A. of Montreal for 32 years, first as Membership Secretary and latterly as Executive Secretary of Central Branch until his retirement in 1949. Mr. White continued in active service as the superintendent of the Old Brewery Mission and passed away suddenly in June. With an unusual capacity for friendship, "Bill" White made a lasting impression on thousands of young men with whom he came into contact.

W.H. Ball, the first Physical Director of the YMCA of Montreal, passed away during 1955. He is endeared and remembered by members of our Association through his work in establishing the first Canadian camps for boys, and his part in founding the Dominion Square YMCA Building.

The YMCA was saddened by the loss of Dr. John R. Mott in January 1955. A devoted Christian and a great man, he was Honorary Life President of the World's Alliance of YMCAs and Honorary President of the World Council of Churches.

XVII. APPRECIATION

Any expression of appreciation at its best will be inadequate to deal commensurately with the thousands of individuals and organizations which were related in some way to the work of the YMCA for the year under review.

With this in mind, we wish to place on record appreciative acknowledgement for the helpful relationship of the following:

We are deeply grateful to all Board and Committee members for their frequent counsel, guidance and service;

To the hundreds of volunteer leaders who have served as friendly counsellors of clubs and boys and girls in camp;

To the many friends of the Association who have contributed generously of their financial resources;

To the press, television and radio stations;

To the Protestant School Board for their generosity in making available school facilities for our program;

To service clubs for their interest and support;

To the Montreal Council of Social Agencies;

To individual churches, the Greater Montreal Council of Churches, and the Christian Education Council with whom we share so much in common;

To the many business corporations for their generous support;

To our sister organization, the Young Women's Christian Association, and to the Young Men's-Young Women's Hebrew Association and to the Quebec Federation of Youth Organizations;

To the staff of secretaries and all others who have served the Association, we extend our gratitude.

XVIII. CONCLUSION

The Montreal Young Men's Christian Association can be proud of its 104 years of service with the youth of this great city. Not the least of these is the year reported on herein. None of the opportunities we have faced in the past are more challenging than those of today and the days ahead. The coming of age of Canada at a time of unprecedented uncertainty in world affairs and the place of greater influence which she now occupies; the challenge to our way of life by forces ambitious and ruthless, makes the demand on our Canadian young people, who must soon take over the direction of our affairs, very great.

The Y.M.C.A. has a unique and special opportunity and responsibility in these times. Let us hope that we have the imagination, the courage and the faith to discharge our duty.

We must marshal all our resources for the task:

- These tools, our buildings and equipment - clean, well-ordered and modern;
- Our "know-how" - 104 years of experience;
- Consecrated leadership, lay and secretarial;
- The goodwill and resources of those citizens who though outside our immediate circle, are concerned about youth;
- Our purpose which is fundamental to life itself.

Who knows but that God in His mysterious way has raised up this Association and us with it to do His work and His will in such a time as this. If such be so, then indeed the past is but a prelude to the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred G. Hubbard,
General Secretary

STATISTICAL RECORD FOR 1955

	ENROLLMENT	ATTENDANCE
VOLUNTEER SERVICE		
Group Leaders	1,293	
On Boards, Committees and Councils	2,343	11,529
HEALTH & PHYSICAL FITNESS		
Gymnasium Activities	2,189	20,690
Swimming Classes	5,595	98,537
Swimming Tests	2,915	
Taught to Swim		10,822
Teams, Leagues, Rinks & Playfields	3,301	47,482
Athletic Events		56,787
CLUBS AND GROUPS - (1011)		
Purpose & Fellowship Clubs, Interest Groups & Classes	25,041	273,706
INFORMAL EDUCATION		
Crafts and Hobbies	1,986	43,630
Lectures, Forums and Study Groups		11,064
Motion Pictures & TV -indoors & outdoors		77,088
Libraries, Book Circulation		92,122
SOCIAL RECREATION		
Dances, Parties and Social Affairs		76,138
Dramatics and Musical Events		1,970
Trips, Outings, Etc.		7,291
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION		
Meetings, Study Groups, Chapel		6,119

SUMMER CAMPS:	Campers	Camper Days		
Boys:	650	15,582		
Men:	681	11,928(& women)		
Girls:	87	1,211		
Women:	673	-(see above)		
Leaders:	108	4,704	2,199	33,425
CITY DAY CAMPS - (15)			1,703	28,561
PERSONAL SERVICES				
Counselling and Interviews				53,982
Employment Placements			719	
Residences, Bed Nights				198,378
FORMAL EDUCATION				
Sir George Williams College & Schools - No. of Students, 8941; No. of Classes 787; No. of Student Hours				2,105,986
COMMUNITY SERVICE				
No. of Outside Organizations using "Y" Facilities			1,207	
No. of Times			2,726	97,510
GROSS ATTENDANCE				
Clubs, Groups, Program Events & Personal Services:				3,362,817

P.S. ROSS & SONS

April 9, 1956.

AUDITORS' REPORT

The Young Men's Christian Association of Montreal,
Montreal, Que.

We have examined the Balance Sheet of the Young Men's Christian Association of Montreal as at December 31, 1955 and the related Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended that date. In connection therewith we made a test examination of the books of account and financial records of the Metropolitan Office and of the reports from the branches and from the Residence Building but we did not make a detailed audit of the transactions of the Association for the year. We have received all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion, based on the examination made, the attached Balance Sheet and related Statement of Income and Expenditure correctly set forth the financial position of the Association as at December 31, 1955 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the accounting records examined by us.

P. S. ROSS & SONS,

Chartered Accountants.

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James H. Webb - Honorary Secretary

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Central - W.R. Pritchard
International - Erle Ulley
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Montreal East - L.N.Sills
Northeastern - T. Dranfield
Boys' & Girls' Camping Committee - Scott Kneeland
Northmount - A.G. Forman
Notre Dame de Grace - F.V. Stone
Southwestern - Howard Keith
Westmount - H.C. Nourse
Sir George Williams College - B.W. Roberts
Camp Otoreke Committee - David Shanks

R E P O R T
OF
THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE
TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF MONTREAL
MONDAY, APRIL 16TH, 1956

Mr. President:

Your committee, having carried out the constitutional requirements in connection with its duties, hereby nominates the following active members to become Directors of the Association:

T.H. Atkinson	J.D. McKeown
C.L. Copland	B.W. Roberts
R.A. Emerson	Howard I. Ross
J.A. Fuller	O.B. Thornton
R.E. Heartz	L.W. Townsend
H.H. Lank	F.B. Walls
J.R. Logan	C.W. Webster

F.A. Whittall

Your committee also wishes to report that at the last meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Directors, the following were elected members of the Advisory Board:

G.W. Bourke	E.A. Leslie	F.R. Phelan
M.R. Chipman	J.G. McConnell	R.O. Stevenson
S.G. Dobson	C.M. McEwen	Guy Tombs
G.V. Ferguson	A.W. McMaster	A.E. Walford
R.A.C. Henry	R.O. McMurtry	E.C. Wood
	A.W. Mason	

Respectfully submitted,

J.J.F. Bancroft, Chairman
W.S. Kirkpatrick
T.D. Lewis
Kenneth McAdam
J.R. Logan
E.L. Hamilton

A G E N D A
SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE METROPOLITAN BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE Y.M.C.A. OF MONTREAL
HELD IN THE BUDGE HALL, CENTRAL BRANCH
MONDAY, APRIL 16TH, 1956, AT 6:00 P.M.

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1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
2. REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS
3. MOTION TO ADOPT THE REPORT
4. ADJOURNMENT

A G E N D A
OF MEETING OF
THE CORPORATION OF SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS COLLEGE
HELD IN THE BUDGE HALL, CENTRAL BRANCH
OF THE Y.M.C.A. OF MONTREAL
MONDAY, APRIL 16TH, 1956, AT 6:15 P.M.

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1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF MARCH 19TH, 1956
3. REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS
4. MOTION TO ADOPT THE REPORT
5. ADJOURNMENT